

The National Endowment for the Arts is the only funder, public or private, that supports the arts in all 50 states in the United States.

IN THE PAST 5 YEARS...

The National Endowment for the Arts distributed more than **\$5,356,700** in grants in **Rhode Island**.



Blue Star Museums. Photo by Debra Huskin

In one year alone...

- Arts and cultural production in Rhode Island added **3.4% or \$2 billion** to the state's economy.
- Rhode Island's arts and cultural industries employed **17,820** workers. These workers earned wages and benefits totaling over **\$1 billion**.
- **53.6%** of Rhode Island's adults attended live music, theater, or dance performances, while **28%** attended art exhibits.



National Endowment for the Arts Programs from FY17-FY19

Blue Star Museums program provided free admission to thousands of active military personnel and their families at **56 participating museums** in Rhode Island.

Poetry Out Loud program provided opportunities for over **7,243 students** attending **46 high schools** in Rhode Island to appreciate—through study, memorization, and public recitation—great poetry.

The **NEA Big Read** program generated **20** community events focused on reading outstanding American literature and involving more than **15,230** adults and students in Rhode Island.

Shakespeare in American Communities program in Rhode Island enabled schools to offer children the opportunity to see free live professional performances of Shakespeare.

Creative Forces program is expanding access to creative arts therapies and arts engagement opportunities for injured service members, veterans, and their families and caregivers.

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Projects Funded by the Arts Endowment either Directly or Through its State Arts Agency Partnership Funds Occurred in These and Other Locations

The Arctic Playhouse Community

MusicWorks Cranston High School

East George Kent Performance Hall

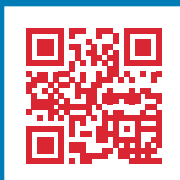
North Scituate Public Library

Providence College

Westerly Library

Young Woods Elementary School

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